I'd like to express my concern about the possible fair-use rights implications of the broadcast flag. A recent editorial states that:

The broadcast flag does not restrict home recording of DTV. It does not restrict the making of multiple physical copies. It does not restrict the unending physical copying of those copies. It does not restrict where such physical copies may be played or to whom they are lent or given.

The flag will not render obsolete or change the feature set of even one DTV product that has been sold to consumers to date. Not one. It will not restrict the movement of recorded DTV shows about the personal digital network, no matter if you are upstairs at home, in your car or boat, or at a permanent or temporary vacation spot. Technology exists to enable that movement while simultaneously complying with the flag's true purpose: eliminating redistribution outside the personal digital network. It will not stifle innovation.

Please insure any proposal contains explicit language protecting these and other fair-use rights with penalties for any broadcaster that knowingly or unknowingly uses broadcast flag technology that undermines these fair-use rights.

Thank You, Greq